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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re:                      Application No:                      10/620,482      Confirmation No. 9078  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed August 9, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 4 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 7 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 13 of this paper.